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Lee E. Cannon

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GAMING

MACHINES WITH A TOURNAMENT PLAY

BONUS FEATURE

## **AMENDMENT WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2006, finally rejecting claims 34, 35, 38, and 55-67, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.